

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of)
John W. Clapper, Jr.) Confirmation: 3436
Serial No 10/786,295) Group Art Unit: 3671
Filed: February 26, 2004) Examiner: Alicia M. TORRES
For: **GRAPPLING ARM ASSEMBLY**)
WITH LATCHING MEANS)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Patent Office communication of March 10, 2009, Applicant requests that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.